

By Senator Baxley

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to developmental disabilities;
3 providing a short title; amending s. 393.063, F.S.;
4 revising the term "developmental disability" to
5 include the disorder and symptoms attributable to
6 Duchenne muscular dystrophy; providing an effective
7 date.

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9 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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11 Section 1. This act shall be known as "Gabe's Act."

12 Section 2. Subsection (12) of section 393.063, Florida
13 Statutes, is amended to read:

14 393.063 Definitions.—For the purposes of this chapter, the
15 term:

16 (12) "Developmental disability" means a disorder or
17 syndrome that is attributable to intellectual disability,
18 cerebral palsy, autism, spina bifida, Down syndrome, Phelan-
19 McDermid syndrome, ~~or~~ Prader-Willi syndrome, or Duchenne
20 muscular dystrophy; that manifests before the age of 18; and
21 that constitutes a substantial handicap that can reasonably be
22 expected to continue indefinitely.

23 Section 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2018.